

GOVERNMENT OF TALANGANA

ABSTRACT

Forest Conservation Act – Proposal for Change of land use for 186.06 Ha. out of 412.40 ha. of forest land of Karimnagar-East Division, diverted in favour of M/s. Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL), for underground mining including permission for surface use in 247.00 Ha. for GDK 9, 10 & 10A inclines for Ramagundam OCP-II in RG-III area – Final stage approval – Accorded.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 9

Dated.12.08.2014.

Read the following:

1. From PCCF, A.P, Hyderabad, Lr.Rc.No.30175/2009-F1, dated 25-11-2010.
2. Govt. Letter No. 9658/FOR.I (1)/2008, EFS&T (For.I) Dept. Dated:15-04-2011.
3. From Govt. of India, MoEF, New Delhi Lr.No. F.No.8-109/2005-FC (pt.), dt. 22.03.2012.
4. Govt. Letter No. 9658/FOR.I (1)/2008, EFS&T (For.I) Dept., Dated:12-06-2012 & 16.12.2013.
5. From Govt. of India, MoEF, New Delhi, Lr.No. F.No.8-109/2005-FC (pt.), dt. 15.01.2014.

ORDER

In the reference 1st read above, the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Hyderabad has furnished a proposal for Change of land use for 186.06 Ha out of 412.40 Ha. of forest land of Karimnagar-East Division, diverted in favour of M/s. Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL), for underground mining including permission for surface use in 247.00 Ha. for GDK 9, 10 & 10A inclines for Ramagundam OCP-II in RG-III area.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, the Government of Andhra Pradesh have sent the proposal in para 1 above, to Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, New Delhi for according approval under Forest (C) Act, 1980.

3. In the reference 3rd read above, the Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, have accorded approval in-principle (Stage-I) for the above proposal, subject to fulfillment of the conditions already stipulated while diverting the said forest land for blanketing and the additional condition that the user agency / State Govt. shall in consultation with the concerned competent authority limit the height of overburden dumps to an extent that it does not result in caving in of the existing underground mine.

4. In the reference 4th read above, the Government of Andhra Pradesh have sent the status of compliance report, as submitted by the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, AP., to the Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, New Delhi for according necessary approval.

5. In the reference 5th read above, the Central Government have accorded approval for the proposal in para 1 above, under Section 2 of the Forest (C) Act,

1980, subject to fulfillment of the condition that the user agency / State Government shall in consultation with the concerned competent authority limit the height of overburden dumps to an extent that it does not result in caving in of the existing underground mine.

6. In view of the above, Government hereby accord **final (Stage-II)** approval for Change of land use for 186.06 Ha., out of 412.40 Ha. of forest land of Karimnagar-East Division, diverted in favour of M/s. Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL), for underground mining including permission for surface use in 247.00 ha. for GDK 9, 10 & 10A inclines for Ramagundam OCP-II in RG-III area, subject to fulfillment of the condition that the user agency / State Government shall in consultation with the concerned competent authority limit the height of overburden dumps to an extent that it does not result in caving in of the existing underground mine.

7. The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana State, Hyderabad shall take necessary action, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

J. RAYMOND PETER
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To
The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests,
Telangana State, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

M/s. Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) and User Agency.
The Inspector General of Forests, Government of India, Ministry of Environment
& Forests, Paryavaran Bhavan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.
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//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER